WARNER ROBINS AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE BYLAWS

Article I

Section I

Name

The name of this organization shall be the Citizens Advisory Committee of the Warner Robins Area Transportation Study.

Section II

Origin

This Committee is created by the Policy Committee of the Warner Robins Area Transportation Study.

Article II

Purpose

The Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) of the Warner Robins Area Transportation Study (WRATS) shall advise the WRATS Policy Committee on matters of public opinion from individual citizens and citizen groups regarding planned changes to the Warner Robins Area Transportation Plan, and study findings and recommendations.

Article III

Composition

The CAC shall be composed of not more than fifteen interested citizens representing a broad section of the population within the study area. Membership on the CAC shall consist of twelve citizens at-large from the study area, and three representatives from various local interest organizations.

Two at-large citizens each shall be appointed by: the Houston and Peach County Commissions and the Warner Robins, Byron, Perry, and Centerville City Councils. The CAC can make nominations to the Policy Committee to consider for appointment.

The term of citizen members shall be four years for at-large members beginning on the first meeting of the calendar year. There is no term limit for organizational members.

Any citizen or organizational vacancy on CAC membership shall be filled by the selection of a new member recommended by the CAC and approved by the WRATS Policy Committee to fill a new or unexpired term.

Article IV

Duties

- 1. Provide general advice to the Policy Committee concerning the citizens' viewpoint on matters related to transportation.
- 2. Review recommendations of the Technical Coordinating Committee concerning the various work elements, annual documents, and long range plans and systems, prior to submission to the Policy Committee.
- 3. Serve as a liaison to the general citizenry for the exchange of information relating to the transportation needs in the Warner Robins Transportation Study area.

Article V

Organization

- 1. The officers shall consist of Chairperson and Vice Chairperson.
- 2. The Chairperson and Vice Chairperson shall be elected annually by the membership of the Citizens Advisory Committee at the first meeting of the calendar year to serve for a one year term, and not more than two consecutive terms. Vacancies in offices shall be filled by appointment by the Chairperson, at the next regular meeting after the vacancy occurs for the unexpired term.

Article VI

Duties of Officers

- 1. Chairperson To preside at all meetings of the Citizens Advisory Committee and to call special meetings as needed. The Chairperson shall also serve as a voting member of the Policy Committee.
- 2. Vice Chairperson To perform the duties of the Chairperson in their absence and serve as a non-voting member of the Technical Coordinating Committee.

3. In the absence of the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson, a temporary Chairperson shall be selected by the members present.

Article VII

Meetings

- 1. The regular meeting date of the Citizens Advisory Committee shall be on the first Thursday of March, May, August, and November at 4:00 p.m., or at an hour set by the committee, at the City Hall Complex in Warner Robins or at other places agreed upon by the members. The Chairperson shall call special meetings as may be required and as herein provided.
- 2. The CAC shall meet at least three (3) times a year or more if development dictates.
- 3. Sub-Committees shall meet as determined by the Chairperson of said committee.

Article VIII

Amendments to Bylaws

These bylaws are intended to serve as a guide for minimum participation by the Citizens Advisory Committee. The committee may amend the bylaws in order to improve the committee's overall performance. Notice of the intent to amend the bylaws must be given in the agenda that is mailed out one week prior to the meeting at which the amendment(s) shall be discussed. A vote of two-thirds of those members present shall be required, in order for the recommended change to the bylaws to be forwarded to the WRATS Policy committee for their review. The Policy Committee must approve the changes prior to them becoming effective.

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